OUR GRAND MASTER'S SLOGAN
"A REVITALIZED AND GREATER TEMPLARY"

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EMINENT SIRS AND SIR KNIGHTS:

On Christmas morning we, as Knights Templar, will meet in our Asylums, and in spirit kneel at the feet of the Babe of Bethlehem. Let us once again renew our pledge of loyalty to our Blessed Savior and rededicate ourselves to His service.

Let us remember that we are members of an avowed Christian Order which seeks to renew the teachings and the practices of the original Order of the Templars. That we are dedicated to carry on the knightly virtues, the chivalrous spirit, the valiant and virtuous life, together with the holy teachings of the Great Captain of our Salvation.

Let us remember that Templary is consecration; willing service to God and to man, and that the Holy Bible is the shield and guide of our faith. Here, we are taught to believe in the atoning merits of a glorified Redeemer, the necessity for courage and constancy in warring against the deceitful vanities of this life and the principalities and powers of darkness, that we may look forward to the blood red passion cross and exclaim "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give Glory."

Sir Knights, Templary is, and it will be, what you and I make it, - no less and no more. If it is to go forward we must be living examples of the great principles taught in the Orders of Knighthood.

In this way we shall make Templary what it was designed to be. In this way we shall do our part to make this world a better place in which to live.

To all my fraters - a Merry and Joyous Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THOMAS BOOTH
Grand Commander

In the last issue of THE TEMPLAR, we printed a complete report of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. We did not list the officers of that corporation. However, we in Grand Commandery are pleased to note that one of our own Past Grand Commanders, Rt. Em. Sir John E. Rines, has been elected both Secretary and Trustee of that worthy organization. Congratulations, John.

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MARKING OFFICERS 1956-1957

G. Burton Long of #50

3 - Newburyport	Jan.17 - Thu.
9 - Pilgrim	Jan.23 - Wed.
17 - Bethany	Jan.28 - Mon.
14 - Haverhill	Apr. 9 - Tue.
43 - Bethlehem	Apr.15 - Mon.

Karsten H. Sandmo of #34

52 - Sir Galahad	Feb.18 - Mon.
41 - Beauseant	Feb.25 - Mon.
42 - Cambridge	Mar.26 - Tue.
20 - Hugh de Payens	Apr.10 - Wed.

Harold L. Burr of #35

10 - Palestine	Nov.14 - Wed.
7 - De Molay	Nov.28 - Wed.
21 - St. Omer	Jan.21 - Mon.
34 - Coeur de Lion	Feb.19 - Tue.
26 - Joseph Warren	Mar. 4 - Mon.
2 - Boston	Mar.20 - Wed.

Ernest J. Comi of #26

35 - Gethsemane	Feb.26 - Tue.
32 - Trinity	Apr.17 - Wed.
11 - Milford	Apr.23 - Tue.
48 - Temple	May 9 - Thu.
33 - Natick	May 13 - Mon.

Oman R. Price of #16

38 - Bay State	Nov.19 - Mon.
15 - Old Colony	Nov.26 - Mon.
8 - Holy Sepulchre	Mar.15 - Fri.
47 - Quincy	Mar.25 - Mon.
31 - South Shore	Mar.28 - Thu.

Edward F. Norton of #8

51 - Thomas Smith Webb	Nov.16 - Fri.
29 - Bristol	Feb. 1 - Fri.
24 - Woonsocket	Feb.12 - Tue.
13 - Calvary	Mar.19 - Tue
27 - Narragansett	May 1 - Wed.

James R. Henry of #6

49 - St. Andrew	Mar.18 - Mon.
22 - Berkshire	Apr. 8 - Mon.
45 - Orange	Apr.26 - Fri.
40 - St. Paul	May 10 - Fri.

Thomas C. Brown of #51

16 - Sutton	Dec. 6 - Thu.
25 - Godfrey deBouillon	Jan.16 - Wed.
1 - St. John's	Feb. 4 - Mon.
5 - Worcester County	Apr. 4 - Thu.
39 - Cyprus	Apr.25 - Thu.
4 - Washington	May 15 - Wed.

Herbert A. Lang of #23

30 - Northampton	Dec.10 - Mon.
6 - Springfield	Feb.11 - Mon.
19 - Jerusalem	Apr.18 - Thu.
37 - Athol	May 8 - Wed.

Clyde L. Carter of #21

46 - Ivanhoe	Nov. 1 - Thu.
23 - Conn. Valley	Nov. 6 - Tue.
36 - Olivet	Nov. 8 - Thu.
50 - Reading	Jan.14 - Mon.
12 - St. Bernard	Feb.13 - Wed.
18 - Winslow Lewis	Feb.21 - Thu.

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SPECIAL NOTE ON MARKING

This year a Marking Department has been established, with the desire to develop more uniformity in marking and general improvement in the work. Mark will be for work on INSPECTION NIGHT ONLY. Attainment mark will be published at the end of our Templar year. It will be based on Petitions, Knightings, Inspection Mark, Social Activities, Christmas Observance, Membership Committee, Patriotic Activities Committee, and any other worthwhile Templar activity.

DRILL CORPS

Inter-commandery competition is a means of promoting social relations between commanderies; by interesting the younger Sir Knights to create interest in a back-in-uniform-movement, favorable publicity and a means of interesting prospective candidates.

There will be a special conferring of the Degrees and Orders in the Chapter and Commandery, sponsored by the Presiding Councils Club. For further information contact Em. Sir Henry F. Bell of St. Omer Commandery and Em. Sir John C. Reid of de Molay Commandery. They need help to sort and distribute names of prospective candidates.

GOOD WEATHER FOR PETITIONS

In speaking about weather it is often said "Everybody talks about it, but nobody does anything about it." I often think that the same statement may be made about getting members in many of our commanderies. Much is said about it--including the strong pleas of our Grand Commander in the November issue of the Templar--but are you really doing something about it? Little can be done about the weather, but much can be done to build your commandery in particular, and Templary in general, by obtaining members.

I have talked with several commanders who were not aware that an affiliation, or a reinstatement counts just as much as a new petition toward your quota. Don't neglect this fertile field of prospects.

In a recent issue of Life Magazine several pages in color were devoted to an explanation of Masonry and the various organizations that comprise and are associated with it. If we had to pay for that advertising the cost would have been prohibitive--but it was free! Excellent free publicity in one of the best advertising mediums in the country! I know it has created an interest in Masonry on the part of non-Masons and an interest in advancing in Masonry on the part of Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council members. You have a golden opportunity to capitalize on the awakened interest.

If you have a business you know that to build it you must sell your product. We want to build Templary. To do so we must sell OUR product, Templary, and the honor and satisfaction of becoming a Sir Knight in the only Christian Order in Masonry.

There are indirect ways of stimulating interest in commandery membership. Here is one that may be helpful. With the Christmas season approaching, why not tell the wives of some of your non-templar Masonic friends of your enjoyment and satisfaction in your commandery membership? Suggest to them that part or all of the fee for initiation in your commandery would make an ideal Christmas gift for their husbands. Petitions often can be obtained through the interest of wives who would like to see their husbands advance in Masonry.

Our Grand Commander wants to increase Grand Commandery membership to 15,000 this year. We need 1,000 petitions to be sure of the required net gain of 240 members. You can help. BE A BUILDER -- for your commandery -- for our Grand Commandery -- for Templary!

J. Leroy Jones, Chairman
New Membership & Publicity Committee

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COMMANDERY MAKES VISIT TO MAINE

For the second time within a year, Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 20 of Melrose made a pilgrimage on Nov. 10 to Portland, Maine, to portray the Templar Order of the Red Cross for the Grand Commandery of Maine.

Last December, the Order of Malta was presented in Portland by Hugh de Payens Commandery with such success that the Grand Commandery of Maine requested that the Order of the Red Cross be presented under its sponsorship.

R. Em. Grand Commander Winston R. Jagger of Maine called a special conclave of his Grand Commandery for this purpose. He received Frank H. Wilson, PGC of the states of Mass. and R.I., who was accompanied by a suite consisting of G. Frederick Tebbetts, PC, and John Findlay, Commander's Aide of Hugh de Payens Commandery, Elmer Robinson, PC of Reading Commandery; Wesley Toothaker, PC of Coeur de Lion Commandery of Charlestown; Burleigh Craig, Commander, and Frederick Henderson, Generalissimo of Winslow Lewis Commandery of Salem, with a large suite of past commanders of the state of Maine.

PGC Frank H. Wilson brought greetings from the Grand Commandery of Mass. and R.I. and also for Hugh de Payens Commandery of Melrose. PGC Wilson also spoke for the degree team of Hugh de Payens, directed by Frank C. Greeley, PC and associate director Leslie M. Collins, PC. He also addressed the 25 candidates from Maine and the 5 candidates from Massachusetts for the degree, explaining the workings of the Order.

COMMANDERIES	QUOTA	TWO MONTHS	NOV.	TOTAL
St. John's	45	7	0	7
Boston	75	7	3	10
Newburyport	20	14	0	14
Washington	8	0	0	0
Worcester County	49	0	9	9
Springfield	36	4	0	4
De Molay	53	15	0	15
Holy Sepulchre	25	1	1	2
Pilgrim	21	1	0	1
Palestine	13	1	3	4
Milford	11	2	1	3
St. Bernard	7	1	0	1
Calvary	43	8	2	10
Haverhill	25	6	4	10
Old Colony	12	0	0	0
Sutton	35	10	2	12
Bethany	10	0	0	0
Winslow Lewis	14	0	5	5
Jerusalem	20	1	0	1
Hugh de Payens	40	1	2	3
St. Omer	22	1	3	4
Berkshire	15	16	5	21
Conn.Valley	10	1	1	2
Woonsocket	11	0	6	6
Godfrey deBouillon	8	1	1	2
Joseph Warren	12	1	2	3
Narragansett	13	0	0	0
Bristol	17	7	1	8
Northampton	8	2	0	2
South Shore	9	3	1	4
Trinity	13	0	0	0
Natick	13	2	0	2
Coeur de Lion	23	2	2	4
Gethsemane	32	4	7	11
Olivet	29	4	1	5
Athol	8	4	3	7
Bay State	27	3	0	3
Cyprus	10	0	1	1
St. Paul	8	0	5	5
Beauseant	22	1	0	1
Cambridge	10	3	1	4
Bethlehem	11	0	0	0
Orange	5	0	0	0
Ivanhoe	17	16	2	18
Quincy	20	2	2	4
Temple	13	3	0	3
St.Andrew	9	2	0	2
Reading	19	6	0	6
Thomas Smith Webb	12	0	0	0
Sir Galahad	12	2	0	2
TOTAL	1,000	165	76	241

MONTHLY OBJECTIVE
NECESSARY TO REACH QUOTA

	OBJ.	ACT.
Sept.	55	52
Oct.	121	113
Nov.	91	76
Dec.	84	
Jan.	111	
Feb.	116	
Mar.	128	
Apr.	108	
May	127	
June	59	

ACCUMULATIVE

	OBJ.	ACT.
Sept.	55	52
Oct.	176	165
Nov.	267	241
Dec.	351	
Jan.	462	
Feb.	578	
Mar.	706	
Apr.	814	
May	941	
June	1000	

COMPARISON

	1957	1956	1955	1954
Sept.	52	53	40	21
Oct.	165	167	98	139
Nov.	241	251	179	192
Dec.		291	262	262
Jan.		370	328	355
Feb.		480	425	429
Mar.		549	518	534
Apr.		616	610	625
May		691	716	727
June		722	726	800

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Sir Knights:

Congratulations to Ivanhoe Commandery #46 for becoming the second commandery to join the 100% club of builders. Our slogan this year is BE A BUILDER. Petitions, affiliations and reinstatements are the building materials. The year is young the opportunity is yours--the goal is to equal or exceed your quota. The "good" years stand out in every commandery. Make this a good year for your commandery. BE A BUILDER!

J. Leroy Jones, Chairman
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